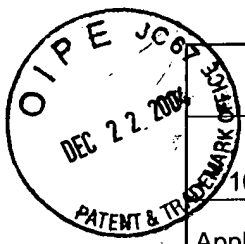


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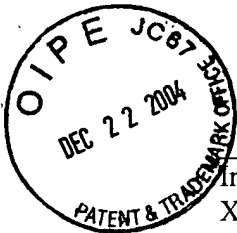
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In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004 (Paper No./Mail Date 09/2004), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: